

# MGCSA NEWS

By SCOTT TURPINEN

*Executive Director*

*Minnesota Golf Course Superintendents' Association*

The MGCSA website is in the process of being upgraded. You will soon see a Shopping Cart and a Member's Only Section. This section ensures privacy and enables members to register and pay for events via the website. Information that only MGCSA members can access will be available in this section, such as Superintendent job postings. The program is called ppSD2. It is an unencrypted, PHP/MySQL-based software solution to control access to content.

## MGCSA LOGO SHIRTS

MGCSA logo golf shirts are now for sale. An order form can be found at [www.mgcsa.org](http://www.mgcsa.org). Assorted colors are available.

## AWARDS & RECOGNITION BANQUET SET DEC. 7

Committee Chair Scottie Hines, CGCS, Windsong Farm Golf Club, and Host Superintendent Tom Proshek have the Annual MGCSA Awards & Recognition Banquet set for December 7 at Brackett's Crossing Country Club in Lakeville. Invitations will be mailed to MGCSA members in November.

## MGCSA HOSPITALITY NIGHT AT GIS IN LAS VEGAS

The GCSAA Golf Industry Show is set for Feb. 27 through March 2 in Las Vegas. The Trade Show will be held Feb. 29 - March 1. The Hospitality Night is scheduled on Wed., Feb. 29 at Gordon Biersch from 6:30 -9:30 pm. Registration forms and sponsorship opportunities will be forwarded in December and January.

## JOB POSTINGS & CLASSIFIED ADS

A valuable tool for members are our Job Postings and Classified Ads sections on [www.mgcsa.org](http://www.mgcsa.org). If you post a job or an ad, please contact the office when the position has been filled or the equipment has been sold or obtained.

## SUPERINTENDENT JEFF PINT TAKES 7TH AT MID-AM

Jeff Pint, Superintendent at New Prague Golf Course and a 5-time MGCSA champion, finished tied for 7th place in the 24th MGA Mid-Amateur Championship by shooting rounds of 77, 74 and 79. Pint is tied for 59th place in the yearly MGA Player Point's race.

## WHERE ARE YOU?

A major issue for associations in general and the MGCSA in particular is a decline in attendance at MGCSA-sponsored events. This year, attendance at the monthly meetings have been about 50-60% of previous years. This is also an alarming trend of other associations throughout Minnesota and the United States. The MGCSA Board discussed possible reasons for low attendance, including: a challenging summer, lower budgets, smaller staffs, taking time from work, and paying for their own expenses. Please take a minute and email your thoughts to the MGCSA office or any Board Member.

# Dominant X-treme 7 &

# PENNCROSS SOD

*from Country Club Turf*

*Grown by*

## GOLF COURSE PROFESSIONALS

*for*

## GOLF COURSE PROFESSIONALS



Supplying over 200  
Golf Courses Since 1987

24317 Durant St. N.E.  
East Bethel, MN 55005

**(763) 444-6753**

*"A Quality Grown Reputation"*